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### **Gilbert and Stahl announce Lapeer housing grants**

**LANSING** – Sen. Jud Gilbert and Rep. John Stahl today announced the Michigan Economic Development Corporation has issued two grants to Lapeer that will help create housing units in the downtown district.

The first Community Development Block Grant, worth \$182,900 is for the creation of six apartments in mixed-use buildings downtown. The second grant of \$375,000 is for the rehabilitation of the Lapeer Arts Center to include three rental units.

“Providing adequate housing is important to revitalize our local downtowns,” said Gilbert, R-Algonac. “These rental units will attract new residents to the area, which in turn will help the local economy.”

“These grant awards are a fantastic compliment to our recently finished downtown restoration projects,” said Stahl, R-North Branch, “Creating attractive and affordable housing in our business district encourages investment in our city.”

The grants require 25 percent in matching funds from the city and were given out based on the commitment of a community to downtown redevelopment.

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